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Slow Trail Progress Frustrates Greenbelt Station Residents

by Diane Oberg

It's been a long time coming and the end, a completed trail, is not yet in sight. The Greenbelt City Council held a worksession on Monday, April 16, to discuss the seemingly never-ending saga of the trail that is to connect Greenbelt Station to the Greenbelt Metro Station. The residents who spoke at the meeting expressed their anger and frustration that an amenity that was advertised in the new community's marketing materials not only does not

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yet exist but that major issues have still not been worked out. There is no estimated completion date (or even an estimated construction start date). It is also unclear whether the project can be completed without additional tax revenues.

Mayor Emmett Jordan assured the audience that the trail will be built, even if it means an increase in property taxes or a different kind of Tax Increment Financing.

Planning Director Terri Hruby

updated residents and council on the current status of the project.

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and Greenbelt are reviewing the draft connection agreement. Despite their efforts several major issues remain unresolved, such as where power for trail lighting will be drawn from, how much load a bridge on the trail must bear, and

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Sophia Riazi-Sekowski and Nina McGranahan organized A Day of Solutions at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on the anniversary of the Columbine School shooting.

Rev. Raysor Appointed to Term On County Disability Comm.

by Anne Wallace

On April 3, Rev. Ray Raysor, Greenbelt activist and Franklin Park resident, was appointed to serve a two-year term on the Prince George's County Commission for Individuals with Disabilities. "If you live long enough, you will develop a disability," said Raysor, "so, it's important to support these programs."

The Commission brings together businesses, citizens and the government of Prince George's County to discuss and resolve disability issues within the county. It also works with county and state agencies to promote the needs and rights of individuals with disabilities and to ensure that the county complies with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

to identify and resolve issues that county residents with housing and recreation. disabilities encounter with public safety, accessibility, transportation, education, employment,



The commission works Rev. Ray Raysor with Tiko, his seeing-eye dog

For example, Rev. Raysor noted, the commission supports Abilities-Ride, a program in which

eligible customers can use on-demand cab services at a discounted rate. Riders pay the first \$5 of the cab fare plus any amount over \$20, up to four rides per day. Riders may arrange rides within minutes or hours by contacting specific cab companies, including Silver Cab and Regency Taxi.

Commission meetings are open to the public and are held on the third Wednesday of every month from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Largo Government Center. To bring a matter before the commission, individuals or businesses may come to the meeting or contact the commission by phone at 301-265-8450, email ddjones@co.pg.md.us or use Maryland Relay at 711. The mailing address is: Department of Family Services, Aging and Disabilities Services Division, 6420 Allen-

town Road, Camp Springs, MD 20748.

What Goes On

9 a.m. to Noon, Electronics and Paint Recycling, Public

Celebration, Buddy Attick

Saturday, April 28 9 a.m. to Noon, Shredding Documents, Parking Lot behind the Credit Union Works Facility

10 a.m. to Noon, Earth Day

Monday, April 30 7:30 p.m., Budget Worksession, Community Services, Planning, Economic Development, Municipal Building Wednesday, May 2

8 p.m., Council Worksession, Recreation and Park Facilities Master Plan, Community

ERHS Students Make Voices Heard on School Safety, Guns by Matt Arbach available for students to write

When asked about her intentions concerning the Day of Solutions at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) on April 20, student organizer Sophia Riazi-Sekowski replied that it would be not a moment, but a movement - that it won't stop. The event was aimed to go beyond simply making a statement, but to "utilize that voice to make positive change," said Principal Reginald

Acknowledging the day of the tragic school shooting at Columbine High School in 1999, Day of Solutions was set aside to offer students an opportunity to express their views and concerns on gun violence in schools. Organizers provided laptops and forms for voter registration and pre-registration. Postcards were

down and share their ideas, and make their commitment to immediate changes to existing gun regulations and school safety protocols, to Maryland legislators. U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Chris Van Hollen, U.S. Representatives Steny Hoyer (5th Dist.) and Anthony Brown (4th Dist.) and State Delegate Alonzo Washington were present to show their support for students.

In addition, students were asked to give their opinions on five questions: Would you feel safer with more officers in the school? Do you think teachers should be armed? Does our lockdown procedure make you feel safe? Do you think our school

See ERHS RALLY, page 6



The ERHS Flute Choir (Lela Versteegen, Diana Moneke, Patricia Divinagracia and James Rogers-Sites) performs at the Music & Art Festival on April 21. See story on page 7.

Silent Auction and Luncheon Launch Digital Archive Project

by Deanna Dawson

A silent auction is being held in conjunction with the May 6 retirement luncheon for Mary Lou Williamson, long-time editor of the Greenbelt News Review. The auction will raise funds to digitize issues of the News Review and its predecessor, the Greenbelt Cooperator, from 1943 to 2001.

The auction is sponsored by the Greenbelt Archive Project, a new non-profit organization that was established to raise funds and apply for grants to support the digital archive. The News Review is published by the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association, Inc., which is a cooperative. As such, it is not eligible to apply for most grants for public service-type projects. Also, monetary contributions to the News Review are not tax-deductible to donors and are taxable income for the paper.

Background

The News Review currently has electronic copies in pdf format of most issues, linked to the Archives page on the paper's

See AUCTION, page 16

Letters to the Editor

Student Art Show

This exhibition looks wonderful with many talented young artists. I have been hearing lots of positive comments towards this show.

Michael Smallwood

Editor's Note: Students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School have their art on display at the New Deal Café through May 7.

Film Raises Awareness

On Saturday, April 21 with financial support from Bee Yoga Fusion, a City of Greenbelt ACE grant, Greenbelt Elementary School PTA, Greenbelt Middle School PTA and Eleanor Roosevelt PTSA, the Old Greenbelt Theatre hosted a free screening of the documentary Angst followed by a discussion. Seventy-five students, parents and community members attended the screening to learn more about the causes, effects and treatments for anxiety. I hope our community can continue the discussion and that everyone can see it when it's finally released for streaming.

After the film, one elementary school student stated that often people don't realize how anxious she is but the movie helped her learn that what she is feeling is normal and that other people feel it too. This student was able to capture what we all feel sometimes and my hope is that by offering this movie in Greenbelt, we can all remember to lead with compassion and understanding rather than judgment. Just listening can go a long way to helping someone else who may be struggling, even if they don't appear to be on the surface. For more information about this film, visit angstmovie.com.

Lauren Cummings

Letter to Steny Hoyer

March 28, 2018 The Hon. Steny Hoyer U.S. Representative, 5th Congressional District 1705 Longworth House Office Building

Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Hoyer, At a recent meeting of

At a recent meeting of the Prince George's County House Delegation, I asked you for your position on the Baltimore Washington Superconducting Magnetic Levitation (MAGLEV) train. In your response, you stated that you had not taken a position on the proposed high-speed train and that you needed additional information before you would take a position.

For your information, the Federal Railroad Administration recently released its Preliminary Alternative Screening Report, which narrowed the number of possible routes for the MAGLEV train line to two. This report can be accessed on the MAGLEV Project website – www.bwmaglev. info – which also includes links to previous reports released on the train

According to a Washington Post article dated February 24, 2018, Maryland Secretary of Transportation Peter Rahn has publicly stated that Maryland will not invest any State tax dollars to fund the MAGLEV project. Instead, the project will rely on private and foreign investments, in addition to federal government grants or loans.

Over the past eight months, I have heard from hundreds of OUR constituents expressing strong opposition over the MAG-LEV project. I believe these residents would benefit from being informed of your position and appreciate knowing that you have heard their concerns.

Given the federal government's likely financial role in the construction and funding of the MAGLEV project, again, I ask on behalf of our constituents, what is your position on the MAGLEV train?

Thank you for your attention to this issue. I look forward to

hearing back from you soon. Sincerely,

Alonzo T. Washington Maryland State Delegate District 22

Editor's Note: Delegate Alonzo Washington asked us to share the letter he sent to Congressman Steny Hoyer's office.

To Our Readers:

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SHOWTIMES April 27th - May 3rd

AFTER AUSCHWITZ (NR) (2017) (83 mins) Fri. 2:30, 7:30 PM Sat. 2:30, 7:30 PM Sun, 2:30, 7:30 PM Mon. 7:30 PM

> Tues. 7:30 PM Wed. 2:30, 7:30 PM

BOMBSHELL: THE HEDY

Thurs. 2:30 PM

LAMARR STORY (NR - Some adult content) (2017) (88 mins)

> Fri. 5:15 PM Sat. 5:15 PM Sun. 5:15 PM

Mon. 5:15 PM Tues. 5:15 PM

Wed. 5:15 PM Thurs. 5:15 PM

Family Series MUNE GUARDIAN OF THE MOON (PG) (2014) (86 mins) Sat. 11:00 AM

RAINBOW CONNECTIONS: Jim Henson's Early Works and Experiments - FREE! Thurs. 8:00 PM

The Old Curmudgeon



Oh Great Wiseman...Please tell me if we will ever have a trail from Greenbelt Station to the Metro.

Cartoon originally ran on May 13, 2004. We updated the caption.

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<u>On Screen</u>

Lives of Holocaust Survivors And an Actress-Inventor

Two new documentaries come to the Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday: After Auschwitz and Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story.

After Auschwitz is writer/director Jon Dean's tracing of the lives of six women survivors of Auschwitz who come to America, marry, have children and experience some form of success. But of course, they are never really at home, never can forget their ineradicable nightmare

One, Renee Firestone, could not talk of her concentration camp experience until after the TV series Shoah and the movie Schindler's List appeared and people began to question her. Finding her voice steeled her. This enlightening film necessarily shows some brutal footage.

Unrated, 1 hour 23 minutes

Bombshell is director Alexandra Dean's cautionary tale of the unfair, one-dimensional publicity treatment inflicted on Hedy Lamarr. The teenage Viennese Hedy Kiesler swam naked in Ecstasy, starred opposite Charles Boyer in Algiers under her new nom de guerre Lamarr, enjoyed her 15 minutes of infamy as a Hollywood sexpot, married multiple times and had difficulty getting roles after her expiration date passed.

But the hype almost never mentions her considerable brilliance as an engineer-scientist who patented several inventions, one of which was a groundbreaking communications system that underlies modern encryption.

The woman who once said "Any girl can be glamorous; all you have to do is stand still and look stupid," was also very formidable with her clothes on.

Unrated, with some adult content

1 hour 28 minutes

- Jim Link

Community Events

Golden Age Club

On Wednesday, May 9, the Greenbelt Golden Age Club will hold its annual Chinese Auction – always a lot of fun. This is a fundraiser used for the club's charities. Bring in donations to the business meeting on May 2 so that Suze Marley can get them ready for the auction the next week.

May has five Wednesdays, so that means there will be a tea party on May 30. Always fun, it's another chance to snack, have special teas and engage in good conversation.

Meetings are held every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Community Center. All Greenbelters 60 and over are invited to participate and join. The May calendar is:

May 2, business meeting May 9, Chinese auction

May 16, potluck luncheon and birthdays

May 23, bingo, bring a little gift May 30, tea party

Art Drop-in Features Nature Drawing

The Greenbelt Recreation Arts Program invites guests of all ages to attend a free community Art Drop-in workshop on Sunday, May 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. Jamie Jorgensen and fellow volunteers from Greenbelt Biota will lead a nature drawing workshop.

Guests are welcome to bring in an item from nature that they would like to draw. Be considerate in the choice of subject; don't kill any plants or animals and don't take from anyone's garden without their permission. Items that can't be collected can be drawn later in the field.

The nature drawing workshop takes place in Room 113 at the Community Center. Materials will be provided. No reservations are needed.

Composting Equals Carbon Sequestration

In a follow up to last month's movie on food waste, this month's GCAN meeting will be about food waste and composting in Greenbelt.

Join a panel discussion with private individuals, as well as city staff, who are actively working on several food-related projects. Learn about the work of the Greenbelt Department of Public Works, the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability Zero Waste Circle's two projects (Hot Composting at Springhill Lake and Worm Composting at the New Deal Café). Hear about the innovative efforts of the Food Waste Pickup Team from New Deal Café, Popcorn Pickup at the Old Greenbelt Theatre and future Food Recovery Plan at the Greenbelt Food Coop.

Learn about these exciting and practical solutions right here in our own community. Learn how reducing food waste and expanding compost opportunities lessens the effect of climate change through carbon sequestration.

The meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center. For questions, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, SimplicityGroupsMD@gmail.com, 301-345-2234.

Craig Scholarship Deadline April 30

The David Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund (DCMSF) application deadline will be Monday, April 30. Applicants must mail their candidate packet to P.O. Box 761, Greenbelt MD 20768 with a postmark no later than April 30 to be accepted for review

The Craig Scholarship Fund is available to all Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) seniors. One recipient has been selected each year since its inception in 1986.

The scholarship, valued at \$10,000, is paid over a four-year period. Past recipients are attending the University of Maryland, Towson University and the University of Maryland Baltimore County. This year's recipient will be presented the first payment of \$2,500 at the senior awards ceremony in May in the ERHS auditorium.

The Craig Scholarship tradition began in 1986 as a tribute and memorial to David Craig, a 1979 ERHS graduate whose tragic death in 1984 sparked a desire by his family and friends for a lasting memorial by helping others with education expenses.

The DCMSF is totally funded by private donations and gifts and is a nonprofit organization recognized by the State of Maryland. To apply or to learn more about the fund, visit davidcraigmsf. blogspot.com. The telephone number is 301-474-7874.

World Tai Chi Day Saturday, April 28

World Tai Chi & Qigong Day is a global wave of goodwill providing a vision of hope and healing with people from different cultures, religions and every corner of the earth all moving and breathing together on the fourth Saturday in April at 10 a.m. worldwide. On Saturday, April 28, join fellow Greenbelters and others as they celebrate the health and healing power of Tai Chi and Qigong.

Greenbelt's version of this event will be held in front of the Library and will be led by Taj Johnson of Sky Valley Tai Ji (skyvalleytaiji.com). All are welcome, the event is free of charge, participation is encouraged and no Tai Chi/Qigong experience is required. Arrive by 9:15 a.m. at the grassy area in front of the Library and next to the Community Center. Depending on the weather and the condition of the field, the event may be moved to the Community Center gym. For more info about World Tai Chi and Qigong Day, visit worldtaichiday.org.

At the Library

STEM-tastic: Crazy 8's Math - Season 2, grades 3 to 5, Tuesdays, May 1 and 8, 5:30 p.m. Get kids fired up about math in the Crazy 8s after-school math club. Every week participants may build stuff, make music and play games, all while bonding with new friends over math.

Kids Achieve Club, ages 5 to 12, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. (except May 29). Take advantage of homework help and reading practice for students in grades K to 6.

English Conversation Club, adults, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. (except May 29). Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds. Registration is recommended, as space is limited.

African History & Culture Lecture: Tuesday, May 1, 7 p.m. Frederick Douglass, Freedom & The Quest for Memory with historian C.R. Gibbs.

Ready 2 Read Storytimes: ages 3 to 5, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.; limit 20. Ages 2 to 3, Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.; Thursdays, 4:15 p.m.; limit 20. Newborn to age 2, Thursdays, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m.; limit 15.

STEM-tastic: Reading Makes Cents, ages 5 to 12, Wednesdays, 4 p.m.; limit 20. Learn about basic money management concepts and practice money skills through a series on the history of money, saving money and borrowing and lending money. Registration required.

Senior Computer Club: Google Drive Basics, adults, Monday, May 14, 1:30 p.m.; limit 6. Learn to save files online and to create documents with Google's word processor and about Drive's group sharing features. Gmail account required. Call branch to register at 301-345-5800.

Community-led Book Discussion, adults, Tuesday, May 15, 7 p.m. Discuss great contemporary books every month. This month: Madame President by Helene Cooper.

Jane Jacobs's Legacy Focus of May 9 Show

On Wednesday, May 9 at 8 p.m. the Old Greenbelt Theatre will screen Citizen Jane. Jane Jacobs's fight to save New York City from Robert Moses's highway construction plan is legendary to those interested in planning and historic preservation. Learn about Jacobs's fight with this new documentary at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Afterward, University of Maryland professors Dr. Mary Corbin Sies and Dr. Isabelle Gournay will speak about Jacobs's legacy.

Greenbelt Time Bank Social and Potluck

Greenbelt Time Bank will hold a social and finger food potluck on Saturday, April 28 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Buddy Attick Park group picnic area. Rain location is Public Works, 555 Crescent Road. All are invited, both members and non-members.

Learn how to earn hours by supporting the time bank, while helping the time bank grow and thrive. Fun activities will help identify gifts, needs and members with whom to exchange. Bring questions, anecdotes and success stories about the Greenbelt Time Bank.

Potluck finger foods are encouraged and appreciated but not required. This is a zero waste event, so bring a plate, napkin, cup or water bottle and utensils.

RSVPs are not required but are helpful for planning. Questions? Leave a message at 240-473-3497 or email Greenbelt. timebank@gmail.com.

New Painting Classes

Greenbelt Recreation Department is offering two new painting workshops.

The first workshop, called Plein Air Painting Around Maryland, starts on Saturday, May 5. The plan for that class is to travel to various places within 10 to 20 minutes of the Community Center. Participants will explore techniques to capture the outdoors using acrylic paint on canvas. There will be two meetings of each workshop and the workshop will run twice.

The second painting event on Saturday, May 19 is the Pet Portrait Workshop. Working from photographs, participants will learn how to capture the personality of their pets. This workshop has only one meeting and is purposely kept at a maximum of eight participants.

See the Recreation Department's website for more details and fees.



More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of April 30 to May 6 are as follows:

Monday, April 30: Baked meatballs with marinara sauce, whole grain rotini, Capri vegetables, Italian bread, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Tuesday, May 1: Honey balsamic chicken thigh, mashed spiced yams, broccoli, wheat roll, mandarin oranges, apple juice.

Wednesday, May 2: Pork roast with apricot mustard sauce, scalloped potatoes, green beans, wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Thursday, May 3: Stuffed salmon with dill sauce, corn, Brussels sprouts, wheat bread, applesauce, cranberry juice.

Friday, May 4: Fajita chicken, Spanish rice, fiesta vegetables, flour tortilla, enchilada sauce, applesauce, sugar cookie, cranberry juice.

Moms Demand Action Against Gun Violence

On Sunday, April 29 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library, join members of Moms Demand Action to learn about opportunities to advocate for gun violence prevention in Prince George's County and across the nation. Also encouraged to attend are students interested in joining Students Demand Action – text STUDENTS to 64433. Voter registration will be available. For more information about this meeting, call or text Joani Horchler at 301-802-7445.

Car Wash on Saturday

St. Hugh's youth will hold car washes between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturdays, April 28, May 5 and May 19. Stop by and get a car wash in the rear church parking lot. Freewill donations support the youth group's annual trip to the youth conference in Steubenville, Ohio.

Utopia Film Festival

Presents

"Project Happiness," and "Hands of Harvest"

Sunday, April 29, Wed., May 2nd, and Fri., May 4th Beginning at 8 PM

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Orientation Class
Tuesday, May 2nd beginning at 7 PM

GATe Board of Directors meeting
Tuesday, May 8th beginning at 7:30 PM
GATe Studio

Check out our Channel on Comcast 77 and Verizon Fios 19 For our schedule, visit: www.greenbeltaccesstv.org and click on "Channel"

Obituaries

Ruth Ann McElroy



Ruth Ann McElroy

Ruth McElroy died on Saturday, April 14, 2018. She was the wife of the late Hugh O. McElroy, Sr.; mother of Hugh O. (Sharon) McElroy, Jr.; grandmother of Zachary A. and Jason T. McElroy; aunt of Donna Riley, Paul and David Jones.

Mrs. McElroy was known for her unique fashion expression. Her signature look, especially her earrings, always granted her compliments from just about everyone. Upon retirement, she spent many summers on the Eastern Shore, enjoying the sunshine, friends and volunteering at the Ocean City Chamber of Commerce. Back home in Greenbelt, Mrs. McElroy's free time was spent enjoying family, friends, lots of shopping, taking trips with her senior clubs, volunteering at Doctors Community Hospital and assisting with Special Olympics.

A funeral service will be held at the Greenbelt Community Church on Thursday, April 26 at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be private.

Jeanne Kasko Hardy



Jeanne Kasko Hardy

Jeanne Kasko Hardy died on April 1, 2018. She grew up in one of the original families in Greenbelt and graduated from Greenbelt High School. She worked at Behnke's Nursery and the University of Maryland.

Mrs. Hardy is survived by her husband Bill Hardy and their children Wilton Hardy, Jon (Louise) Hardy and Jimmy Hardy. Children Patrick Hardy, JoAnne Hardy and Bob Hardy preceded her in death. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren, six great grandchildren and her siblings Judy Myrick, Paula Robertson and Paul Kasko.

Relatives and friends may call at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville on Saturday, April 28 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Patrick Hardy



Patrick Hardy

Patrick Hardy died on March 8, 2018. Mr. Hardy, son of Bill Hardy and the late Jeanne Hardy, grew up in Greenbelt, going to St. Hugh's and graduating from Carroll High School. He worked for his father at Hardy Brothers and later as an estimator for a parking lot. He battled a decadelong degenerative nerve disorder that required him to use a wheelchair. Prior to the onset of his illness, he joined the American Legion Post 66.

Mr. Hardy is survived by his daughter Erin Nicole Hardy and his siblings Wilton Hardy, Jon (Louise) Hardy and Jimmy Har-

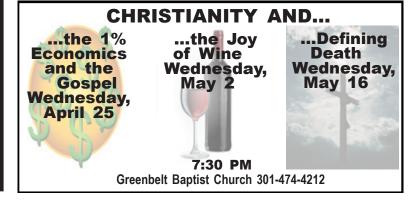
Relatives and friends may call at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville on Saturday, April 28 from 1 to 3 p.m.





Participants from Rachel Cross's ukulele classes attend a Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain concert at Strathmore. From left: Marti Galvin, Betty Triplett, Mary Ann Tretler, Ellen Hanyok, JoAnn McCarthy, Lil Dan Celdran, Rachel Cross, Tim Phares, Dana Phares, JoEllen Sarff, Ben Allen, Angelica Anderson, Beth Anderson and Rachel Canavan.

Catholic **Community** of Greenbelt **MASS** Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building ALL ARE WELCOME.



Concert at Mowatt

Music in Leipzig in the late 19th/early 20th centuries revolved around a close circle of musicians and composers who influenced each other and the romantic music scene in Germany. Join Lisa Sedares on Saturday, April 28 at 6 p.m. at Mowatt Memorial UMC, 40 Ridge Road in a recital that will include works centered around those musicians. Sedares will be graduating in May from Towson University with a Master of Music in Piano Performance.

The program will include the following works:

Beethoven, Elf Neue Bagatellen, Op. 119; Brahms, Drei Intermezzi, Op. 117; Smyth, Aus der Jugendzeit!!; E. v. H.; Mendelssohn, Variations sérieuses, Op. 54 and Liszt, Ballade No. 2.

Light refreshments will follow. All are welcome.





Our deepest sympathy to the family of Jeanne Kasko Hardy who died on April 1 and her son Patrick Hardy who died in early March. Jeanne was a Greenbelt pioneer and graduate of Greenbelt High School. She raised her family here, including Patrick.

Sympathy to the family of Ruth Ann McElroy who died on April 14. She was an active member of the Greenbelt community and a volunteer at Doctors Community Hospital.

Congratulations to Aaron Marcavitch who has been selected as the Gearhart Professional Service Award winner by Preservation Maryland. The awards will be presented on May 17 in Balti-

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@ greenbeltnewsreview.com.



Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt



Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410

Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m. Is your faith shallow?

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Mass Schedule: Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

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Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



April 29 10 a.m.

"Journey Home"

The PBUC Chalice Dancers with The Erika Thimey Dance & Theater Co. and Paint Branch Creek; with Elizabeth Porter, Worship Associate

The PBUUC Chalice Dancers13th Annual Dance Service, presented by The Paint Branch Chalice Dancers, directed by Sharon Werth. Guest artists include The Erika Thimey Dance & Theater Co. and Paint Branch Creek. We invite you to join us on this journey of dance, song and spoken word.

Greenbelt Community Church



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City Information

MEETINGS FOR APRIL 30-MAY 4

Monday, April 30 at 7:30pm, BUDGET WORK SESSION re: Community Services/Planning/Economic Development at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming live at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, May 1 at 7:00pm, PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. On the Agenda: Cell Phone Coverage in the City

Wednesday, May 2 at 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Recreation and Park Facilities Master Plan at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.



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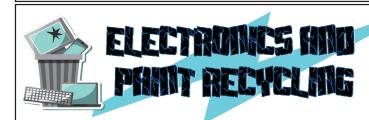
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COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN Sunday, May 6 from 1-3pm **Greenbelt Community Center**

Nature Drawing Workshop w/Jamie Jorgensen and other volunteers from Greenbelt Biota.

Practice using watercolor to bring your drawings to life! You can bring an item from nature to draw as long as you don't kill any plants or animals or take from someone's garden without permission.

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center

The Fitness Wing will be closed for Roof & HVAC Work from April 30 and will re-open on May 14.

All current memberships will be extended an amount of time equal to the amount of time the Fitness Wing is closed.

You may call the Center at 301-397-2204 to get updates from staff. We appreciate your cooperation and

apologize for any inconvenience.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 28 from 10am-12pm Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Road



Volunteers are needed! Join us for trail maintenance and food forest plantings.

Reminders:

- Bring a reusable water bottle
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed- toe shoes
- Students: Bring Community-Service Forms

For more information contact Jason Martin at jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2168



Greenbelt Forest Stewardship Project



Greenbelt Recreation & Bee Yoga Fusion present

Youth Running Club

Ages 10-16 years, beginners welcome! Sundays, 4:00pm-5:00pm May 6-July 15 (no class 5/27), Fee: \$45

Runners will meet at Bee Yoga Fusion, 111 Centerway 2nd floor in Greenbelt. Youth will run (from the yoga studio) around Buddy Attick Lake. When the weather doesn't allow for us to run, we will do yoga!

A non-competitive running club for youth to learn running tips and techniques, enjoy getting to know new friends and best of all have FUN running! Coach Wendy Young, will lead the youth every Sunday during practice. Gretchen Schock, owner of Bee Yoga Fusion, will teach yoga on rainy days.

*Parents are expected to volunteer for one practice over the course of the 10 weeks. We need one parent to sit with the bags and water bottles while the kids run. Super simple but an important job!

Contact Anne Oudemans at 301-397-2200 for more information.

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has enough mental health resources? Do you feel safe at ERHS? In about a week's time, the final tally of responses will be collected and reported.

Inspired by Walkout

This event was born out of the March 14 walkout in support of the 17 students and teachers murdered at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14. According to freshman Riazi-Sekowski, junior Nina Mc-Granahan approached her that day about the need to take action and to do more. They were both inspired by the surprising, motivating and encouraging energy exhibited by ERHS students, she added. The pair then enlisted staff, particularly McNeill, teacher Patrick Gleason, Curriculum Coordinator Erika Barrett, auditorium technician Josh Fountain and the IT Department, as well as the student government and school groups like Bring Change to Roose and Raiders Rise Up, to help plan the demonstration. Staff made it clear that this event was primarily a student-organized venture with staff acting as logistical support.

McGranahan brought with her some experience with voter registration through her involvement with Rock the Vote and Head Count. She said it was very daunting at first because she wanted to do everything right. By reaching out to experts and online sources though, she was able to make this crucial element available.

A Daylong Event

The event ran the entire school day and was held in the auditorium. Students could use their lunch period or other free time to make their way there. A rotating group of student volunteers ran the operations. McNeill was pleased that the event allowed students to show their support but not miss class. Some of those volunteers included junior Tealine Williams and sophomore Chloe Widman.

Delegate Washington proposed many ideas to increase school safety, including measures like locked doors, more exterior cameras, more developed safety protocols, and racial bias and gang management training. He stressed the capability of students to create solutions to develop a positive school climate. As for arming teachers, Washington made it clear that this would not be a likely nor desirable step in the state of Maryland. He hoped his presence at the event sent a message to students regarding the commitment of state government to the solution to this crisis.

Organizers said that the plan is for every Friday to be a day when students can continue to



ERHS students collected information about writing their representatives and other ways to protest gun violence during the high school's Day of Solutions on Friday, April 20.

- Photos by Matt Arbach

of the event at ERHS, a student

was wounded at Forest High

School in Ocala, Fla., just as

students were about to begin a

walk-out. It was the 20th school

shooting this year.



Students were asked to answer survey questions, such as: Do lock down procedures make you feel safe? The stickers provided a visual accounting.

send messages to representatives to keep this campaign alive and imperative. Said McNeill, "We don't want this issue to die after one or two events."

To illustrate the pervasiveness of gun violence in schools, it should be noted that on the day

Synagogue Annual Vintage Jewelry Sale

The vintage and costume jewelry sale of Mishkan Torah is scheduled for Sunday, April 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Prices begin at less than a dollar, so there will be something there for everybody's budget. There will be a minor jewelry repair station and a selection of recent handcrafted jewelry made by local crafters. Mishkan Torah Synagogue is located at 10 Ridge Road at the corner of Westway.

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Middle School Students Protest Weak Gun Laws

by Mecca Lartigue

Every life-changing organization started out small. At Greenbelt Middle School, that statement is especially true. My name is Mecca, and I am part of a four-person operation called the Political Action League, and our goal is to bring change to Prince George's County – and next, the world.

The group consists of myself, Meegane Konchou, Zada Prout and Ashley Tadikonda. Dissatisfied with the way our school's March 14 walkout was carried out, we decided to organize our own protest against loose gun laws. With the 19th anniversary of the Columbine tragedy coming up on April 20, we knew we had to work fast.

We thought up a schedule, organized when and how people would make speeches and made about a dozen posters. After scheduling countless meetings with our wonderful principal, Dr. Daria Valentine, we were able to come up with a final product that worked for everyone. Though we went through many disappoint-

ments on the journey to our rally, the four of us arranged an amazing and influential experience for everyone there. "Students were crying, teachers were crying, administrators were crying. It was great," says Ashley Tadikonda. About 100 students from the seventh and eighth grade Talented and Gifted class attended the rally which lasted about half an hour. The four organizers gave speeches and read a poem that Meegane had written.

I am extremely proud of all the work we put into this walk-out. It really shows the dedication that students can have when we are passionate about something. The pride in our teachers' eyes as we led the rally was overwhelming. With that I want to give thanks to Mrs. Davic, Mr. Carr, Mrs. Mencer, Mr. Steele, Mrs. Lentz and every administrator that put their time aside to help us.

Mecca Lartigue is an eighth grader at Greenbelt Middle



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ERHS Brings Music, Drama And Art to Roosevelt Center

by Melissa Sites

High school students flocked to Roosevelt Center on Saturday, April 21, to show off what they've been working on over the past year at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS).

Visual and performing artists from ERHS offered a festival to give something back to the community as part of a school-wide effort to increase community involvement and participation at ERHS. With performances from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., the ERHS Music and Art Festival featured music and theater students, along with an art show at the New Deal Café that will be open until May 7. An artist reception followed on Sunday afternoon.

A Variety of Music

Past festivals have included musical groups from schools around Greenbelt, but this festival featured acts from various disciplines all at ERHS. Supported by funds from the Jim Cassells Community Service Award and spearheaded by art teacher Christine Wilkin and Kevin Hawk, music department chair, the festival was planned to celebrate the art, music and drama projects of students. Since Eleanor Roosevelt High School is located away from the town center, having the festival in Roosevelt Center helps the students to better share their accomplishments with the community, according to information on the Cassells Award website.

ERHS band teacher Rachel Zephir led a jazz combo, flute choir, woodwind/brass quintet and percussion ensemble that made use of buckets and trashcans, obtained from Bowie High School, to perform lively percussion pieces in the style of Stomp. Singers Alyssa Stanford and Gabriela Holzer performed Broadway show tunes using backing tracks. Alison Graham and Abby Wester performed as a string duet. Other musical acts included Talon Hall, Kierra Mayo and Adrian, Bolu and Sabrina. "If there's a performance opportunity they'll find a way to be there," said Zephir. Theater students offered one act plays, along with the group ALONIZ doing improv games and comedy sports. The afternoon closed with a fashion show. Kevin Hawk provided an excellent sound system for the outdoor event, while drama teacher Julie Hawk cheered on her students.

Art Display

Art teachers Wilkin, Adeline Vanik and Monique Connealy were excited about the high quality of the art on display from 40 ERHS art students, representing a variety of classes. Erin Delaney's geometrical mandala, Phases of the Moon, was the first piece to sell. Pieces that



The ERHS percussion ensemble from left: band director Rachel Zephir, Raina Dirksen, Tayquan Freeland, Illijah McCoullough and Evan Krieger play on trash cans and buckets.



Abby Wester, left, and Alison Graham play cello and violin duets at the ERHS Music & Art Festival.

are purchased will be available on May 7, with an extra fee for the frame. Another standout piece is the blue dog, Nimbus, by Lily Thomas. This work consolidates light and dark areas in a portrait of the family dog, to surreal effect. ERHS art classes, all represented in the show, include Art 1, Basic Design, Basic Sculpture, Computer Graphics, Art 2 (intermediate) and AP Studio Art 2D (advanced). In Last Flower, by Johnny Truong, a bright pink blossom glows against a gritty monochromatic background. A bystander noted of a surreal piece, The Koi by Michelle Juarez-Sanchez, "I really like how she put the koi fish on the steps." The Koi also features a self portrait of the artist.

At the Sunday afternoon reception, onlookers enjoyed a display of folded, juxtaposed pictures. Connealy described how her students created digital collages representing two contrasting ideas, such as spring-fall,

technology-nature, city-country, digitally cut and pasted into alternating one-inch strips, and then folded the juxtaposed images like a fan, which was then matted and framed.

Connealy pointed out that the festival represented the "ongoing artification" of ERHS, in which the music, art and drama departments work together with the wider community to make the arts a part of everyday life to enhance and enrich the educational experience.

Greenbriar Outreach Group Tackles Community Issues

by Angeline Butler

Over the past several months, Greenbriar residents have been busy meeting, researching and learning about the many wonderful free and low-cost services and programs offered to Greenbelt residents. The next Outreach Group meeting will be on Saturday, April 28 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on the second floor of the Greenbriar Community Building.

Dynamic Community Governance

Organized by the Center for Dynamic Community Governance (with support from the city), Greenbriar's newly-formed resident Outreach Group is getting results. It operates with the principles of dynamic community governance. This approach uses a two-step process: a general meeting where concerns and ideas are gathered and then work sessions on the individual topics.

At the general meeting each participant is asked, in a roundtable process, what they would like to see that would make life in the Greenbriar community better. The excitement generated as the round-table progresses is based on the new ideas that each person brings to the discussion. The large group then breaks down into smaller circles, each of which investigates one of the agreed-upon subjects. Discussion of where to find information and other things necessary to the task is followed by each person taking on a specific assignment toward completion of the task.

The idea is to bring together bits and pieces of information about a certain subject, which gives people a variety of options to choose from for the solution that best suits their needs. Information put together like this can be transformative when a previously bothersome issue, such as "how can I affordably get around in this immediate area without a car," can now be resolved. This idea, to find out about local transportation options that don't depend on Metro, has resulted in information about The Bus and ShuttleUM being posted on the Marketplace tab of the Greenbriar website, greenbriarcondos.com.

From Talk to Tasks

Subjects that other work groups are exploring include help, support and resources for caregivers; legal and financial needs for older adults; low-cost or nocost food and clothing options; introducing newcomers – and oldcomers – to Old Greenbelt, especially Roosevelt Center and bridging language and cultural divides.

The group is open to all Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents. New ideas are warmly received and feedback is actively encouraged.

"One exciting development has been to move from information-only to actively taking on a task such as developing a tour of Greenbelt for Greenbriar residents," said Angeline Butler, the newly elected circle administrator. "This will require coordination and cooperation from a number of people, but working together with other people gives a wonderful sense of accomplishment and satisfaction."

The fun part of this, Butler asserts, is when an investigation blossoms in an unexpected direction. When researching the University of Maryland shuttle bus, the group found out that seniors (age 60 and over) are eligible to take classes at any state school, including the University of Maryland, tuition-free (there is a registration fee, however). Since students ride the shuttle bus for free, an enrolled senior gets both the class and transportation free of charge.

Jane Mullaney, newly elected circle facilitator, states that the Community Governance approach has far-reaching consequences. "Through the Outreach Group we have discovered that when people learn how to work together, within a structure focused on dignity and respect, strong connections are made and community goals become achievable," says Mullaney. In the facilitated gatherings, Greenbriar residents, once strangers, get to know each other over a wide spectrum of experience and start to make connections with one another as neighbors. People get to see their neighbors, whom they may pass by each day, as people from different backgrounds and experiences from whom there is much to learn. Through this process, true neighborhoods are born.

For more information, contact Jane Mullaney, janemullaney@yahoo.com.



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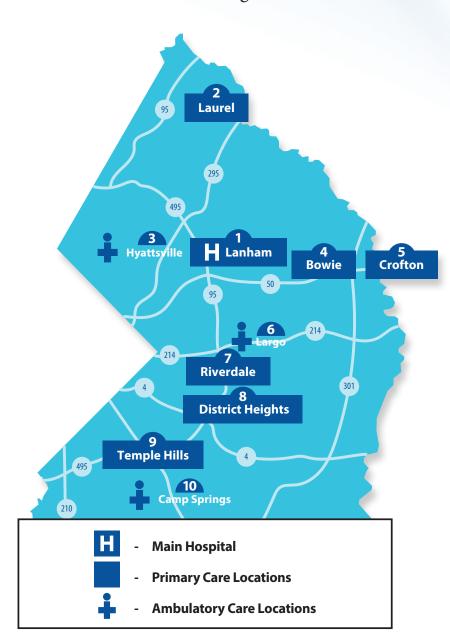
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New Rain Garden Dedicated By GHI, Residents, Officials

by Tom Taylor



Beth Olsen, Tom Sporney (in background), Steve Skolnik, Eldon Ralph and Tom Taylor cut the ribbon on GHI's new rain garden.

A crowd of about 50 people gathered at 20 Court Ridge Road on Earth Day, April 22, as Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) dedicated its newly installed stormwater management project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The gathering included residents, Greenbelt City Council and Prince George's County Council members, GHI board members and staff, Greenbelt Public Works staff, representatives of Greenbelt environmental committees and local teachers.

The project, a rain garden that is designed to reduce stormwater runoff and improve water quality in local streams, was funded through the Prince George's County Storm Water Stewardship Grant Program administered by the Chesapeake Bay Trust (CBT).

The 20 Court Rain Garden is a best management practice that captures, slows and filters stormwater runoff, and features native plants. It allows the ground to absorb more water, and helps filter out polluting substances from any runoff that does not remain in the ground before it discharges into the surrounding woodlands in the Still Creek watershed.

The program for the event highlighted important features of the project and recognized key partners in its planning and installation.

The project is designed to direct stormwater into the rain garden, where much of it can infiltrate naturally into the ground. The new system captures water running off the hill between the street and the 20 Court units, and from the parking lot, and channels it into the rain garden, located behind the parking lot. Included in the system are a stone

diaphragm that intercepts water near the bottom of the hill, a stone swale running through the rain garden, and additional underground piping. An interpretative sign that explains how the rain garden works also was installed.

The work was overseen by Tom Sporney, GHI assistant general manager, in collaboration with the GHI Storm Water Management Task Force. Project partners recognized at the event included Mike Clar of Ecosite (design and engineering), Marita Roos of UrbanBiology (landscaping), Emma Prindle of Low Impact Development Center (outreach and education consultation) and Aaron Marcavitch of Maryland Milestones/Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (sign design).

Task force member Claudia Friedetzky was recognized for her work in writing the grant to CBT to obtain funding for the project. McDonnell Landscape was the contractor for the work.

During the event, task force members Bill Duncan and Beth Olsen gave a presentation on rain gardens, and Paul Kapfer gave a presentation about the GHI Woodlands Committee. The Woodlands Committee held a worksession the previous day to spruce up the surrounding woodlands for the event. Hally Ahearn and Michael Travis of the Greenbelt Zero Waste Circle staffed the zero-waste station for the event.

The ceremony was capped off with the ceremonial ribbon-cutting and sign unveiling led by GHI Board President Steve Skolnik and GHI General Manager Eldon Ralph, along with task force members Jim Cohen, Bill Duncan, Ben Fischler, Beth Olsen and Tom Taylor.

Mishkan Torah Sisterhood's Annual Vintage and Costume Jewelry Sale

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PARC Dance Production Showcases Local Talent



Teen and adult dancers perform Currents at the 2017 recital.

The Performing Arts Repertory Company (PARC), a nonprofit arts organization in residence in Beltsville, is sponsoring a dance production on Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6, at the Montgomery College Cultural Arts Center, 7995 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring. An original story ballet, The Magic Forest, will feature dancers from PARC, as well as students ranging in age from young children to adults from the Ballet Academy of Beltsville. The performance on May 5 is at 7 p.m., and there is a matinee on Sunday, May 6 at 3 p.m.

The Magic Forest is an original story ballet that will capture the imagination of audience members of all ages, while showcasing local talent, including several Greenbelters. The fast-moving, fanciful story tells of a young girl named Mazea who is teased by her classmates when she prefers reading to joining their games. A charming will-o-the-wisp lures Mazea into the forest where she views faeries dancing in a circle to preserve the powers that ensure peace and harmony. An evil queen and her cadre of spirits try to break the faerie ring, and it is Mazea who steps in to save the



Some of the youngest dancers perform as toy soldiers.

The program also includes a variety of repertory dances and class dances in the genres of ballet, tap and jazz, performed by dancers of all levels, as well as excerpts from Swan Lake. There is a fee. Special rates are available for groups. For more information, visit performingarc.org, call 301-908-4079 or visit facebook.com/events/207350476516668.



2019 Budget

Capital Funds Expected to Total \$2.3 Million; Include Dam Repair

by James Giese

The capital funds reviewed by the Greenbelt City Council at its April 18 worksession do not rely upon annual appropriations. Instead, funds are authorized to be spent when the council gives the OK to proceed with a project. Capital budgets primarily receive funds from three sources proceeds from bond issues, grants from the state or federal governments and annual interfund transfers of appropriations from the General Fund. The primary source of funding for the latter revenues are city taxes and the amount budgeted annually does affect the city property tax rate.

Fiscal Year 2019 budget's proposed appropriation from the General Fund to capital funds by City Manager Nicole Ard is \$2,355,000, a little over five percent of the total city budget. That is \$305,000 above the current year budget, the final transaction taking place in Fiscal Year 2018. Councilmember Judith Davis asked if there would be another worksession this summer on the Capital Projects. Assistant City Manager David Moran said he hoped it could be done at this time, but that it was up to the

Replacement Funds

Some Public Works equipment is very costly. A compactor refuse truck can cost up to \$200,000, for example. The city contributes annual dollar amounts to the Replacement Fund each year at a somewhat even level for the purchase of new equipment to replace the old. The amount expended fluctuates dramatically from year to year depending upon what needs to be replaced but reserves in this fund enable the city to do the purchasing.

During the recession, when city funds were very tight, the contributions to the Replacement Fund were less than what should have been and equipment purchases were delayed. Now the city is playing catch-up and annual contributions are being increased. The proposed FY 2019 budget contribution to the fund is \$350,000, twice that four years ago. Proposed purchases, totaling \$490,200, are for handguns for the police, two electric sedans, a skid street loader, a pick-up truck, exercise bikes for the Fitness Center, a dump body for a park's truck and a refuse packer truck.

Funds also have been budgeted for a 12-passenger van with a wheelchair lift for the Greenbelt Connection. This is to replace a bus provided to the city by the county from grant funds it received. That bus was destroyed when it caught fire. The city had hoped the county could provide a replacement, but apparently this may not happen.

Capital Projects

FY 2019 is proposed to be a big-ticket year for expenditures in this fund as the city undertakes repairs to the Lake dam, estimated to cost \$2,285,000. Total expenditures are to be \$3,540,000.

Like the Replacement Fund, this fund receives a regular annual contribution from the General Funds. In addition, it receives grant funds and other financial aids for the capital projects. For FY 2019 the General Fund proposed contribution is \$800,000, about the yield of a 3.5 percent property tax levy. That contribution would be nearly \$200,000 more than four years ago as the city again plays catch-up from deferring expenditures during the recession.

The state has been after the city to repair the Greenbelt Lake dam for some 25 years due to slow leakage. But with a concrete core and considerably more than usual earth fill behind it, as well as the lake being fairly small and shallow, the deteriorating dam has not posed a threat downstream. To pay for this expense, the city has obtained a Maryland Environmental Administration Water Quality Loan and funds from a state bond bill.

Funds for street and sidewalk repairs have also been increased for FY 2019 by over \$140,000 to \$653,800 to accelerate this program. Public Works Director Jim Sterling told the council he would like to do a mile of street work a year.

Other funds are budgeted for K-9 turf for the animal park, implementing a pedestrian/bicycle master plan, bus shelters, trail work, a second dog park at a yet-to-be-determined location, play-ground improvements, repairs to the Lenore Thomas Mother and Child sculpture at Roosevelt Center, the reliefs on the front of the Community Center and repairs to the outdoor swimming pool.

Another \$380,000 has been budgeted for yet-to-be-identified parkland acquisition using anticipated Program Open Space funds. Moran told council there were no plans to spend the Program Open Space allocation, but rather to let the funds accumulate.

Mayor Emmett Jordan and Davis asked about painting the exterior of the Community Center. Moran said it was needed but there were no funds available to

Councilmember Silke Pope

wanted another \$15,000 budgeted for a third dog park, but Councilmember Edward Putens said the problem was finding a suitable place to put one.

Putens asked that money be budgeted for security camera installation at Schrom Hills Park, calling it a priority need. (The council compiles a list of identified budget adjustments and decides at a final budget worksession whether to fund them.)

Another \$4.4 million is budgeted for projects in the next four years. Besides funding for regularly-occurring needs such as street repairs and playground improvement, future projects listed include gateway signage, Community Center improvements and tennis court color coating. Another 17 projects are listed as unprogrammed and unfunded. This includes dredging Greenbelt Lake and lights for athletic fields.

Another fund established by the city council to provide money for the undertaking of major repairs to existing city buildings is the Building Capital Reserve Fund. The budget lists 12 city buildings totaling 240,900 square feet. The largest is the Community Center at 55,000 square feet and the smallest is the Attick Park restrooms at 600.

Building Capital Reserve Fund

The annual city tax dollar contribution has been increased from \$100,000 in Fiscal Year 2016 to a proposed \$400,000 in FY 2019. The fund is projected to begin FY 2019 with a small deficit and spend \$441,000 with total revenues estimated at \$444,000.

The other expected source of funds is a grant from the Maryland Energy Administration for energy efficiency improvements. Those funds are to be used to purchase an electric vehicle and provide a vehicle charging station at Public Works.

The major proposed expense

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GHI Plant Swappers Show Up, Undeterred by Rain

by Carol Griffith



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Plants await their new home.

Gardeners are by nature a dedicated group of people, and GHI gardeners are no exception. About 25 GHI members attended the cooperative's spring plant swap on Sunday, April 15, at the administration building in pouring rain.

GHI's Woodlands Committee holds two plant swaps a year, one in the spring and one in the fall. GHI members are encouraged to bring any excess plants or any plant that needs a new home for any reason. The only rule is that no plants are allowed that are on GHI's list of prohibited or invasive plants. Houseplants, seeds, gardening tools, books and pots may also be swapped, or members can come with food items to share with their neighbors during the swap. Each member tells the group details about the plants

they are offering, such as what kind of light or soil the plant prefers. After drawing lots, members go in turn to select something from the offerings. Once everyone has made their first and second choice, the remaining items are fair game for anyone to choose.

This year, the skies were threatening as members brought and set up the plants they were offering to swap as others eyed those same plants to maybe add to their own yard or garden. As the introductions of the offered items began, the rain began to pour. Undaunted, the participants continued the swap until every item brought had a new home. The gardeners left, cold and wet, but excited to have something new to plant on the next sunny day.



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<u> 2019 budget</u>

Council Reviews Revenues And General Government

by Diane Oberg

Revenues and a review of the General Government budget were the topics facing the Greenbelt City Council at its March 28 worksession.

City Manager Nicole Ard's proposed budget projects total revenues of \$29.9 million up from \$28.4 million in the current fiscal year's adopted budget, an increase of 5.2 percent. (And up 4.9 percent from estimated transactions for this year.)

Property Taxes

Real property taxes are the largest revenue source, projected to total \$17.5 million in the upcoming fiscal year, which begins July 1. Add in personal property taxes of \$2 million, and property taxes account for 65.1 percent of total city revenue. Real property taxes increased by 7.4 percent, largely due to the new homes in Greenbelt Station being added to the tax rolls.

The city is also hoping that next year will bring further revenue increases. Current property taxes are based upon an assessment done while the real estate market was still reeling. All property in the city will be reassessed this year.

While the city is hoping that the reassessments next year will provide a better budget picture starting in Fiscal Year 2020, City Treasurer Jeff Williams said that the city needed to prepare for the next downturn by catching up on capital projects while it can afford to do so.

Commercial Property

The news is not as good for commercial properties, which are assessed based upon the revenue generated by the property. In addition, owners can appeal their assessments for up to three years in hopes of receiving an abatement, a reduction of the assessed value of the property.

This frustrated council no end. They wanted to know what they could do to fight abatements, which often blindside council, since the city only knows that a property owner is seeking an abatement if the property owner volunteers that information.

When asked what the city could do to fight abatements, Williams said that as there is no one on city staff that is familiar with the details of commercial property assessments, they would need to acquire the services of someone with that skill. This is likely to be expensive.

Fees

The budget proposes relatively few fee increases. Aquatic & Fitness Center memberships would increase three percent while daily passes would increase by 25 cents. Williams suggested that the city should look at all of the fees it charges. While he said he is "not too keen to raise" most fees, they should periodically review them.

The city did get good news as it has recently been confirmed that the state will provide a \$75,000 capital grant for the WMATA Trail that will connect the South Core to the Greenbelt Metro Station. This funding was already tentatively included in the budget document.

Interest

Recent increases in interest

rates have raised interest income by more than half. The current budget estimated the city would receive \$32,000 in interest income while estimated receipts are \$70,000. Williams is projecting \$120,000 in interest revenue for the coming year, an estimate he termed conservative.

General Government

Council then turned its attention to the General Government section of the budget. This covers, essentially, administrative/ overhead services such as the city manager's office, the finance department, the information technology office, community promotion and the Greenbelt Museum director.

Ard did not include any increases in total staffing in her budget, although some current positions are proposed to be increased in grade. Councilmember Judith Davis requested that council consider increasing the halftime public information specialist to full time.

While not recommending a change to total staffing in the finance department, the budget calls for eliminating the finance manager position and creating a new deputy city treasurer. As Williams will soon be eligible to retire, this move can be viewed as succession planning, although he said he does not anticipate retiring as soon as he is able. In addition, he would upgrade one of the three accounting technician positions to accounting supervi-

Community Promotion

There is a lot of activity expected in this department over the next fiscal year. The upgrades to the audio-visual equipment in the council chambers are expected to start any day In addition, Public Information and Communications Coordinator Beverly Palau will be standing by in case the so far idling negotiations with Comcast over the renewal of its contract to provide services to Greenbelt ever resume. She will also be overseeing the redesign of the city's

website and if council authorizes the recording of all worksessions (a stated goal of both Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmember Colin Byrd) she would need more camera operators, which are not included in the proposed budget.

Non-Departmental

This account covers some expenditures that are not solely within the individual departments such as Workers Compensation Insurance, Unemployment Insurance and others.

Total expenditures in this account are budgeted to increase by \$55,700 or 6.6 percent. The biggest chunk of the increase is related to the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The budget, as discussed at a recent worksession, would reinstate the city's subsidy of the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre (FGT, \$48,000) and continue with the phased payoff of the past due electric bills, which resulted when PEPCO retroactively recalculated the organization's bill. This issue came to a head last year when the city provided a \$60,000 subsidy. The city had provided a subsidy for the first several years, after which the theater was to become self-sufficient. However, FGT could not reach that goal, in part due to the PEPCO issue.

The non-departmental budget also has the city spending \$4,500 to permit residents to ride the University of Maryland Shuttle. Davis called upon council to examine whether to continue this service given that only 58 residents participated, generating just \$900 in revenue.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.



Travels with News Review



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Mary Ann Baker took the News Review along on her visit to her sister Dolly Wurgler's home in Landeron, Switzerland, and on a five-day visit to the sunny Cinque Terre region of Italy. "After a 10-hour drive from Landeron, we had a fantastic trip around the 5 terraced villages, via bus, train and boat. Missing Greenbelt, family and friends."

Greenbelter is Among Best of Maryland

On Thursday, May 17 at 6 p.m., Preservation Maryland celebrates this year's Best of Maryland award winners including Greenbelter Aaron Marcavitch of ATHA Inc., the Gearhart Professional Service award winner.

Tickets are available for purchase and include a plentiful BBQ buffet with local beer and wine and an opportunity to tour The Star-Spangled Banner Flag House museum and grounds, 844 East Pratt Street, Baltimore. Register at bestofmaryland.org.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, May 3, 2018 GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

GHI Special Open Session Meeting – begins at 7.00 p.m.

- Approve the Agenda for the GHI Executive Session Meeting
- GHI Executive Session begins after the GHI Special Open Session Meeting adjourns Approve Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting Held on April 5,
 - Member Financial Matters
 - Consider the Terms and Conditions of the Following Contracts in the Negotiation Stage:
 - 2018 Spring Concrete Repair Contract 2nd reading 2018 Parking Lot Repair contract – 1st reading
- Legal Matter.
- Member Complaint Matters
- Rental Permit Granted to a Member
- GHI Open Session begins at 7.45 p.m.
- Approve Minutes of the Special Open Session Meeting Held on April 5,
- 2018 Request by the Members of 71-E and 71-F Ridge Rd for their Units to be
- Designated Smoke-Free Request by PNC Bank for Changes to GHI's Recognition Agreement to
- Comply with Fannie Mae Requirements Request by the Member of 7-P Research Rd to Erect an Interior Fence
- Within the Yard Request by the Member of 2-A Westway to Install a Pergola in the
- Gardenside Yard Acceptable Roof Materials for Additions
- Recommendation to Amend Section 111, Minimum Use and Maintenance Standards - Homes and Yards, in the GHI Member Handbook
- Request the Buildings Committee to Research the Pros and Cons of Relining vs Replacing Waste Water and Water Supply Piping in GHI
- Attorney's Opinion re: Imposing Fines for Rules' Violations
- Request by the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee for a Donation
- Establish Date for a Joint Work Session with the Finance Committee to Review Draft Replacement Reserve Study Reports



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Regular Board meetings are open to Members For more information, visit our website: www.ghi.coop

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Route of the proposed WMATA trail that would link the Greenbelt Station community and the Greenbelt Metro.

Traffic Signal

A traffic signal had been proposed to ensure pedestrian safety where the trail crosses the WMATA access road. The city originally wanted a full traffic signal, which WMATA said was not warranted. The parties now appear to agree that a HAWK (high-intensity activated crosswalk beacon) should be used. This beacon will be dark until activated by a pedestrian. It will then progress through steady yellow, flashing yellow to red. A final decision has yet to be made.

Fire Trucks?

One point of disagreement concerns comments by WMATA police that the bridge and boardwalk on the trail must be able to support a fire truck or ambulance. This has not been required for any other trail in the city. Hruby's report states that "since the trail can be accessed from both the north and the south side of the bridge, building the capacity for large vehicular loads is not necessary." The city planning staff will be working with the city's police and fire chiefs to get their views, then will set up a meeting with appropriate WMATA staff.

Hruby says there continues to be significant costs associated with running electric power along the trail and to the HAWK beacon.

Pond

WMATA recently added a requirement for a buffer zone around the stormwater management pond. This could require revisions to the trail alignment that could be expensive. Woodlawn Development, the contractor managing the project, requested information on the pond so that it can determine the cost impact.

Engineering

There are many engineering details not yet worked out including a sediment control plan, a tree conservation plan, a grading and drainage plan, and more. In addition, existing plans must be updated in response to WMATA comments and questions. Any or all of this work could further increase the cost of the trail.

Cost and Schedule

Currently, the project is estimated to cost \$1.2 million. Woodlawn Development has agreed to contribute \$516,000 towards the work. The city has received \$75,000 in bond funds from the state and has roughly \$1.8 million in the Greenbelt West Infrastructure Fund, although this is not the only project to be funded from that account.

As the remaining engineering and other issues are resolved, the project cost is expected to rise. There was some discussion of possible sources of additional funding such as Project Open Space grants.

At this point, the schedule appears to be anyone's guess. Woodlawn must complete a number of studies, several of which need information that WMATA has not yet provided. Woodlawn estimates that it will need six months to complete this work once it has received this information. In addition, the emergency access requirements need to be resolved.

Once all these revisions and plans are complete, the next stage can begin. WMATA, Prince George's County, the city, and the Maryland Department of Environment all must review and approve the plans. Hruby wrote that the review process could take up to one year. In addition, the city and Woodlawn must work out an agreement with PEPCO for the necessary electrical work.

On a positive note, Rosalyn Doggett of WMATA's real estate division, said that she expects that they will accept some responsibility for maintenance north of the access road. All other costs above what Woodlawn has agreed to provide will be borne by the city.

Resident Comments

Joseph Trellinger wanted to know how to determine which agencies are doing a good job in the face of such persistent delays and wondered if residents could volunteer to assist with the work. Hruby attributed the delays to the

complexity of the project and the number of entities involved. The stops and starts of the FBI headquarters decision also contributed to the delays, Councilmember Edward Putens pointed out.

James Williams, Jr. said having a place to walk was part of why he moved to Greenbelt Station. He volunteered to lead a delegation to attend WMATA and council meetings to keep pushing for action on this issue, as suggested by Councilmember Rodney Roberts.

Liz Spector was incredulous at the state of the project. Why were these issues not worked out years ago, she asked? She bought her half-a-million dollar home because of the promised path that would let her take a 10-minute bike ride to the station versus riding a shuttle that runs infrequently. Jordan said that the city urged Woodlawn to take that information out of the flyer but it cannot tell developers what to put in their marketing materials.

Christine Weaver was excited that some progress has actually been made on the project. She thought that Woodlawn had just been overly optimistic and did not have an understanding of all the bureaucracies involved.

Weekly Playdates

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New Deal Café Introduces New Kitchen Contractors

by Ray Zammuto

At a board meeting Monday, April 23, the New Deal Café introduced its new food contractors, Michael and Leah Moon. The Moons operate a 3½-year-old catering company, DC Vegan, and opened a plant-based sandwich shop, Pianta, last weekend in a new food hall, Tastemakers, located about a half-mile from the Brookland-CUA Metro stop. They made a short presentation about plans for the Café and then answered questions from the audience.

The Moons plan to offer a menu that includes plant-based sandwiches, Italian-American entrees and bar snacks. Leah noted that their food is really accessible and that many of their existing catering customers are not vegan. Their food is not abstract or excessively complicated but has familiar tastes and textures, like fresh pasta. Some entrees are

adaptations of family recipes, she said with a smile, that they test on family members who don't like vegetables. Their focus is on serving good food prepared from scratch.

When asked about what changes are planned, the Moons said that they hoped to maintain the spirit of the Café. They were attracted to the Greenbelt community and Café, in part because the funky vibe reminded them of places in Cleveland where they met. They plan to focus initially on the lunch and dinner service as they run their catering business out of the kitchen. Then they want to build up a coffee bar with a breakfast menu. They also hope to hire a baker to prepare their own breads, pastries and desserts. The Moons will take over operation of the Café's kitchen on July 1.

Greenbelt Park Seeks Summer Teacher Rangers for Program

This summer, Greenbelt Park will participate in the Teacher Ranger Teacher program, a unique professional development opportunity for K-12 teachers. The program is provided by a partnership between the National Park Service (NPS) and the University of Colorado Denver (CU Denver).

Participants will spend four to six weeks at Greenbelt Park, developing a major educational project and participating in an online graduate course from CU Denver. The goals of the program are to train teachers in the resources and themes of the NPS so that they can return to their schools in the fall and incorporate their new skills into classroom activities. The teacher will be able to reach students from underserved schools and districts by recruiting teachers from Title 1, urban or rural schools and from tribal schools to participate in the

Greenbelt's 2018 Teacher Ranger Teacher will use Greenbelt Park's interpretive programs to create and develop educational activities and curriculum-based lesson plans for off-site school visits. The educational project should encourage interaction with Greenbelt Park. The Teacher Ranger Teacher will provide 230 hours of effort: 160 hours of major educational project; 45 hours of online coursework, discussion, course readings; and 25 hours of operational experiences such as junior ranger activities during the summer. Upon completion of the program and project, the teacher will earn three graduate credit hours through CU Denver and

Teacher Ranger Teacher program.

Interested teachers should contact Ranger Barry for application instructions at kevin_barry@nps. gov. The park will begin reviewing applications on May 14.





Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltmd.gov/police

Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery

April 15, 3:56 a.m., 7600 block Greenbelt Road. Two men entered the pharmacy at CVS, hopped over the counter and told employees to get on the floor. They then took prescription medication and cash and fled, possibly getting into a 4-door vehicle described as blue in color.

April 17, 9:57 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane. Two men, one armed with what appeared to be a semiautomatic pistol, entered the restaurant Hunan China and forced the cashier to the ground as one of them removed money from the cash register. They then fled on foot. A possible third man was observed standing outside the front door during the robbery.

Theft

April 17, 5:42 p.m., 7900 block Vanity Fair Drive. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence on December 5. The reason for the delay in reporting the theft is unknown.

Fraud

April 13, 11:36 a.m., 7200 block Mandan Road. A woman received a phone call in which she was told that her grandson had been involved in an out-of-state motor vehicle accident while intoxicated and had been arrested. She was told that she needed to send money to assist her grandson and was directed to send it to a certain bank account. Afterward she discovered that her grandson had not been involved in any accident. The investigation is ongoing.

Burglary

April 12, 1:53 a.m., 7200 block South Ora Court. A person lying down in the living room of a residence saw a man shining a light on the window. The man then opened an unsecured window and attempted to enter the home. The resident yelled at him and he fled. The resident believes that he knew the identity of the man and that he wanted to talk to one of the occupants. The investigation is ongoing.

Vandalism

April 18, 6:24 p.m., 32 Court Ridge Road. The glass to a storm door of a residence was broken.

Vehicle Crime

A white 2012 Toyota Sienna station wagon with Md. tags 6BR9459 was taken on April 13 from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace after the keys were left in the ignition with the engine running.

Two vehicles were recovered. A 2006 Honda Odyssey van reported stolen to Prince George's County police was recovered April 13 in the 9100 block Springhill Lane with the in-dash radio and airbags removed. A 2008 Toyota Avalon reported stolen March 19 from the 7500 block Greenway Center Drive was recovered April 15 in the 7500 block Greenbelt Road.

Thefts from two vehicles were reported. Four tires and rims were taken from one vehicle in the 6200 block Breezewood Drive and power tools from an unlocked vehicle in the 7000 block Mathew Street. A window was broken out in the 7800 block Mandan Road and the vehicle was rummaged through but nothing appeared to have been taken.

Two tires on a vehicle in the 7700 block Hanover Parkway were flattened.

Sobriety Checkpoint Saturday, May 5

On Saturday May 5 the Greenbelt Police Department will be conducting a sobriety checkpoint in the area of Greenbelt Road and Lakecrest Drive from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The objective of this checkpoint is to both deter motorists from driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol and to arrest those who ignore the dangers of getting behind the wheel while impaired. This checkpoint is funded by the Maryland Department of Transportation.

For further information, please contact MPO Scott Yankowy at 240-542-2114 or syankowy@greenbeltmd.gov.

GHI Notes IVIUSIO

Thursday, April 26, 7 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Saturday, April 28, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room.

Monday, April 30, 7 p.m., Executive Session of the Board, Board Room.

Wednesday, May 2, 7 p.m., Addition Maintenance Program Task Force Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, May 3, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room; 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room.

Friday, May 4, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

GIVE BLOOD GIVE LIFE

Musical and More

Seven free shows highlight a busy week at The Clarice. Sunday alone features performances by the UMD Koto Ensemble at 2 p.m., the Honors Chamber Recital at 5:30 p.m. and the Spring Choral Showcase at 8 p.m. On Monday, April 30 at 8 p.m., the UMD Percussion Ensemble offers a concert. Wednesday, May 2, features a showing of Jim Henson's early commercials and experiments, as well as an outdoor Big Band Finale in the Theatre Courtyard. The final free concert of the week is the performance of a Bach Cantata on Thursday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m.

Goddard Music Drama Club Presents "Weird Romance"

by Shawn Perry

"You must remember this, A kiss is just a kiss, A sigh is just a sigh..."

But will the fundamental things apply in a future in which cloning, holograms and artificial intelligence blur the distinctions between illusion and reality?

That is one of the fascinating questions explored in the Goddard Music and Drama Club's (MAD) spring musical, Weird Romance, opening Friday, May 4 at the Barney & Bea Recreation Center at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt.

Written by the composer of Beauty and the Beast, Aladdin and Little Shop of Horrors, Weird Romance is actually two musical one-act love stories set in the not too distant future.

Director Randy Barth was drawn to the musical's two "very touching love stories that complement each other so well."

In Act One, a ruthless corporate executive finds a homeless woman willing to electronically transmit her consciousness into the perfect, yet lifeless, DNA-designed body he's created to promote his products. The project is an immense success until the

City Notes

Public Works staff met with Greenbelt Community Garden Club leaders to discuss concerns and maintenance issues. At the request of the city council, staff attended the Park and Recreation Advisory Board meeting to ask its advice on the City of Greenbelt opting into the Maryland Department of Agriculture mosquito control and various options.

Building Maintenance crew evaluated the HVAC duct work at the Old Greenbelt Theatre for a new design.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 31.29 tons of refuse and 13.62 tons of recycling material.

Horticulture/Parks crew removed shredded rubber playground surface from the Greenwood Village playground and put in wood fiber.

Recreation staff met with Planning staff to discuss signage for the Indian Creek trail and attended anti-harassment training provided by the Local Government Insurance Trust.

Springhill Lake Recreation Center hosted a free roller skating event.

Aquatic & Fitness Center staff reports that due to the roof and HVAC units being replaced, the fitness wing will be closed for two weeks beginning on Monday, April 30 and will re-open on Monday, May 14.

An Art Share was held at the Community Center as a part of an ongoing monthly series enabling local artists in all media to network and share constructive feedback.



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In Act Two, a brilliant scientist who has created the world's most realistic holographic technology is shocked to discover a seemingly living hologram of a young girl growing into womanhood in his lab. Scientific curiosity leads him to love – and the most surprising discovery of his life.

Producer Eliot Malamuth loves that the show is "pretty unique, with two really good, sweet romantic acts and really good mucio"

The production takes the audience along for the marvelous ride of several characters as they struggle to comprehend the mysterious beings they grow to love "as time goes by."

More information and tickets are on sale for performances, May 4 to 19, at madtheater.org.

visit www.greenbeltnewsreview.com

Overeaters Support Group Meets Weekly

Overeaters Anonymous is a fellowship of individuals who are together recovering from a wide variety of food challenges including overeating, anorexia, bulimia and obsessively thinking of food. The group meets every Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Baptist Church, 101 Greenhill Road.

Those looking for help are invited to a Newcomers Welcome to Overeaters Anonymous on Monday, April 30. There is no charge. For more information, call 202-362-8571 on 240-305-3433.

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(\$320,000) is for replacing the roof and the HVAC system at the city-owned Old Greenbelt Theatre. Another \$65,000 is budgeted for replacing a heat exchanger and piping at the Aquatic & Fitness Center.

Greenbelt West

This fund is established to account for expenses to public facilities needed to support the development of Greenbelt Station North and South Cores. No city tax dollars are involved. Special taxing district revenue bonds will be used to finance a north/ south connector road through the project. Construction depends upon when development occurs. Developer contributions resulting from negotiated agreements will add another \$3.6 million, maybe more, for the public projects benefiting the area. Other funding sources will add smaller amounts to this budget.

At the end of the current fiscal year the city will have on hand nearly \$1.8 million. It anticipates receiving over \$650,000 in the new year. The principal expenditure will be a million dollars allocated for a trail connecting the Greenbelt Station community to the Greenbelt Metro station. Another \$86,000 is budgeted for streetscaping on Cherrywood

CDBG Fund

FY 2019 will be the 44th year for the federal Community Development Block Grant Program. The city gets a portion of county funds to do improvements in lower-income neighborhoods. The \$128,200 estimated revenue for FY 2019 is proposed to be used for reconstructing Breezewood Drive from Springhill Lane to Edmonston Road.

Table Talk April 28 With Del. Washington

State Delegate Alonzo Washington will host a special Table Talk conversation about gun control and school safety at the New Deal Café on Saturday, April 28 from 10 a.m. until noon. State's Attorney Angela Alsobrooks and several other public safety and education experts will also be present to lead a panel discussion on these important issues.

In addition to these topics, Washington will provide a comprehensive update on the recently completed 2018 Maryland legislative session. Attendees can also discuss any other issues important to them and the community, including the maglev train, updates on the public school system and the upcoming 2018 elections.

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Greenbelt Park Events

Saturday, April 28. The Prince George's County Running Club holds its annual Springburst 5K Run. It will begin at 8 a.m. Participants will meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

Saturday, April 28. The B&O Railroad, Greenbelt's Neighbor. This talk focuses on the history ent eras of the B&O and other artifacts. Meet at the Ranger Station at 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 29. National Park Rx Day. The prescription for better health is a walk in the park. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9:30 a.m. for a group exercise walk through the park. Blood pressure screenings will be available.

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website (greenbeltnewsreview. com). However, anyone who uses the current archive quickly discovers that it is generally unsearchable. Text can be difficult to read and photographs are poorly reproduced. Issues published since 2002 are born digital and are of much higher quality. The pdfs for earlier issues were made from microfilm held by the Greenbelt Library. No one on the News Review staff knows or remembers who commissioned the microfilming of the papers, but it likely was done under the United States Newspaper Program launched in 1982 by the Library of Congress and National Endowment for the Humanities.

The early years of the Cooperator (most of the issues published during 1937 to early 1943) were re-digitized in 2017 by University of Maryland (UMD) Libraries as part of the Historic Maryland Newspapers Project (HMNP), a grant-funded collaboration between UMD Libraries and the Library of Congress as part of the National Digital Newspaper Program. These issues, made from microfilm negatives held by the Maryland State Archives, can be accessed on the Chronicling America website (chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/ lccn/sn89061521/). The decision to include the Greenbelt Cooperator in the HMNP was made unbeknownst to News Review staff, but the News Review soon became a partner in the HMNP, and UMD digital librarians Rebecca Wack and Robin Pike are collaborators on the new project.

Higher quality pdfs could likely be made for other past issues, if we could find the microfilm negatives. However, microfilming was done by two small local companies that no longer exist, and neither the Prince George's County Memorial Library System nor the Maryland State Archives has the microfilm negatives. The new project will scan physical copies of the papers. The News Review keeps past issues in file cabinets in the newsroom in the Community Center, and there is another set in the Greenbelt Library's Tugwell Room. Both collections have multiple copies of many issues, but neither collection is complete. The biggest gap in coverage is for 1952, which is mostly missing from both collections. Fortunately, we do have low-quality pdfs for the missing issues, which makes the absence of the physical copies more of a mystery. Anyone with information on their whereabouts – or who has these issues in a personal collection, perhaps stored in boxes in a basement or attic - should contact newsreview.archive@ gmail.com.



The Plan

Proceeds from the silent auction and individual monetary contributions will go toward the purchase of digitization equipment, including a high-end scanner with a large scanning surface to produce high quality digital images with minimal handling of fragile papers, a computer to collect and manage the images and hard drives to store and back up files. The Greenbelt Archive Project will then enlist local volunteers (contact newsreview.archive@gmail.com if interested) and UMD library science interns to digitize the newspapers. Interns working 120 hours on the project can earn credits to fulfill a graduate program requirement. Three News Review volunteers - Elaine Nakash, Marcia Lissauer and Deanna Dawson - have nearly completed a spreadsheet with page counts for all issues. This inventory provides a scope of the task - over 20,000 pages will need to be scanned - and will make it easy to divide up the work and track progress. Scanning will start this summer or early fall.

The end product will provide a searchable, complete and unselfconscious history of the growth of Greenbelt through eight decades - a time capsule that will offer to city planners the opportunity to learn how this town took a New Deal concept and translated it forward in time. It is expected that the digital archive will serve students in local schools and universities and be used by researchers across the U.S. and abroad. Beyond research projects and homework, the digitized issues will offer Greenbelters a sense of their community's identity and provide background to residents interested in Greenbelt history and culture.

CROP Hunger Walk On Sunday, May 6

There will be a hunger-inspired walk around Lake Artemesia in Berwyn Heights on Sunday afternoon, May 6. Church World Service (CWS), an ecumenical relief agency helping refugees and low income families since World War II, sponsors the walk. CWS CROP Walks (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) happen in 1,000 U.S. communities each year.

The walk begins around 1 p.m. on May 6. Park free at the Linson/Wells Swim and Skating complex at 5211 Campus Dr. (off Kenilworth Ave.). Stop at the table to register and donate. Do the full walk (around 3 miles) or the short walk (a little under 1.5 miles). Water and restrooms are available. For more information, check the website crophungerwalk.

How to Contribute

A catalog of items in the silent auction can be viewed at greenbeltarchive.org. Bids can be made on the website or via email to newsreview.archive@gmail.com from noon on April 28 through noon on May 5 (see instructions in the catalog). Final bidding will take place between 12:45 and 2:45 p.m. at the May 6 luncheon at the Greenbelt Marriott. We are not set up to take credit or debit cards for purchases, so bring along a checkbook. Successful bidders can take home their purchased items or meet and negotiate with contributors of services or other intangibles.

Coming to the luncheon offers extra benefits: attendees can congratulate and thank Mary Lou for her many years of ser-

vice to the News Review and the community, and meet the News Review's new editor, Gary Childs, who took the helm in February. Luncheon tickets can be purchased online through May 4 via links from the News Review and Greenbelt Archive Project websites.





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Schedule April 30 - May 5

New Deal Art Show Seeks Participants

The New Deal Café is hosting a May/June group show to accompany the Green Man Festival. The theme of the show is Soil. The deadline for submission is April 30. Send all submissions to newdealcafeart@gmail.com.

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